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Docket No. 246061US0CONT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Pierre-Charles ROMOND, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/722,555

GAU: 1645

FILED: November 28, 2003

EXAMINER:

FOR: METHOD FOR DETECTING MICRO-ORGANISMS

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

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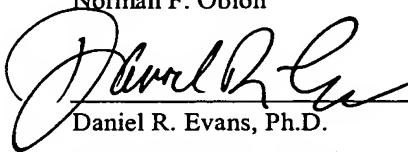
It is hereby requested that a **Third One Month** extension of time be granted to December 16, 2004 for

- filing a response to the Official Action dated:
- responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- responding to the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) dated: December 6, 2004 and for the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated July 16, 2004.
- filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.
- filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$590.00 is enclosed herewith by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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